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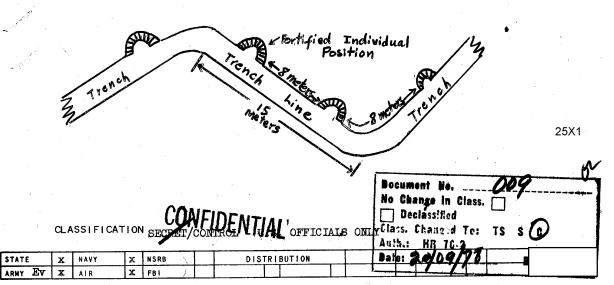
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## Border Fortifications Near Elkhovo?

1. Trench lines, approximately 110 centimeters deep, 90 centimeters wide at the top, and 50 centimeters wide at the bottom, have been excavated along the Turkish border between Lesovo and Golyam Dervent. The lines form a zigzag pattern, 15 meters from point to point, and contain individual semi-circular brick fortified positions approximately 8-10 meters apart, as follows:

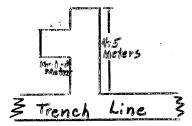


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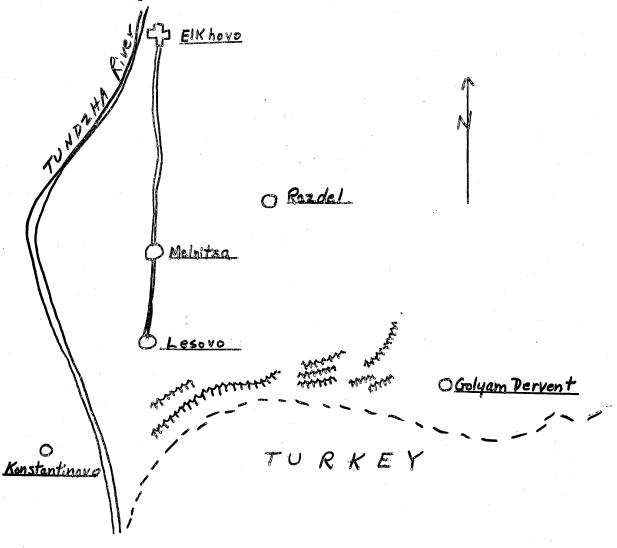
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2. There are brick fortified heavy machine gun posts located at advantageous fire control points, constructed as follows:



- 3. Semi-circular mortar and antitank gun emplacements, approximately 20-30 meters in diameter, are located 3-4 meters in front of the trench lines at control points. Personnel and ammunition shelters are attached to each emplacement.
- 4. The following sketch shows the fortified areas described above:



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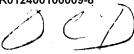
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| 5. | There are underground ammunition depots located in a forest area approximately 500 meters south of Kostenets. The depots are located in a restricted area enclosed by barbed wire entanglements and are under constant military guard.  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. | During June-September 1951, while on summer maneuvers with 12 Rifle Regiment, the tops of six underground storage depots, each three meters square, located in a brushy area approximately one kilometer east of Boyanovo village. The depots contained arms, ammunition, mortar shells, and explosives. The entire area was a restricted zone, enclosed by barbed wire entanglements, and was under constant military guard by a 4-man team.  new storage depots were under construction in the same area. |  |  |  |  |
| 7. | The Vucha hydroelectric plant located on the Vucha stream in the immediate vicinity of Plovdiv, produces electricity for the entire Plovdiv district.   |  |  |  |  |
| 8. | a hydroelectric power plant is planned for construction at N4214 E2354, along the Kriva stream. The plant is scheduled to begin operating within five years; a canal has already been constructed between the Cherna Mesta and Kriva streams at a point approximately seven kilometers south of Sestrimo village, Pazardzhik district.  |  |  |  |  |
| 9. | Communist officials in Sestrimo village:  |  |  |  |  |
|    | a. Atanas Yonchev, a member of the village People's Council;  |  |  |  |  |
|    | b. Georgi Angelov, supply officer; and  |  |  |  |  |
|    | c. Selena Vasileva, village clerk.  |  |  |  |  |
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